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# Area residents mobilizing against HAP

By Gregory A. Scibelli gscibelli@turley.com

AGAWAM – Opposition toward a potential Housing Assistance Program (HAP) housing project

continues and the residents of

Mill Street are attempting to get

organized and pleaded for the

help of town officials to fight the

state in allowing a complex.

On Monday night, residents, led by Kristin DiCioccio, gathered at the Agawam Senior Center to ask questions, air concerns, and thanks to some town officials, get some misconceptions cleared up.

The bottom line, however, is that the majority of residents in attendance at the meeting, say they are completely against a lowincome housing project being placed at 586 Mill St., a 12- to 13-acre parcel of land.

DiCioccio led the meeting, saying she is among several residents with deep concerns, but claim they are not against low-income housing.

"We want to repeat that we do not have an issue with lowincome housing," said DiCioccio. "We realize a housing study has been done and that we need more affordable housing in town."

However, DiCioccio, a resident at 34 Williams St., says that HAP should reconsider its potential placement of low-income housing complex on Mill Street.

"The residents have huge concerns about whether this a good fit for their neighborhood," she said. "Especially with concern over the amount of traffic this will create. There is already a lot of traffic on Mill Street."

Other residents expressed their concerns over the "walkability" of the area, saying there is not good access to shopping and other resources for potential residents who do not have a car.

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

# **Neighbors in the night**

Annual public safety community event returns Aug. 2

By Mike Lydick aan@turley.com

In the aftermath of this month's deadly sniper attack on Dallas police officers and the fatal police -involved shootings of black men in Louisiana and Minnesota, National Night Out seems especially relevant this year.

Agawam will participate in the nationwide event for the fourth year on Tuesday, Aug. 2, at School Street Park. The local event is sponsored by the Agawam Police Department and is comparable to an old-fashioned neighborhood

block party. Running from 5 to 7:30 p.m.it features crime prevention information, demonstrations by public safety agencies as well as food, festivities, and music. The purpose is to enhance police-community relationships and improve neighborhood camaraderie.

"This is our opportunity to tell them how they can protect themselves and others, as well as show the public the resources that are available at the federal, state, county, and local levels," said Agawam Police Officer Robert Burke,

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### ATHLETIC FACILITY

# Outdoor facilities on schedule, locker rooms delayed

By Gregory A. Scibelli gscibelli@turley.com

AGAWAM – The Agawam High School athletic fields have been under construction for the better part of 2016, and as of this week, things are on schedule with the outdoor facilities.

Jennifer Bonfiglio, the Chief Procurement Officer for the town as well as an active member of the Athletic Facilities Committee, discussed the progress of the \$9.2 million project, including some complications that have come up indoors.

Bonfiglio says that while there is no official word on whether the locker rooms will be created prior to the start of the school year, work was delayed for two weeks due to asbestos found in the locker rooms when demolition occurred at the beginning of the project.

The locker rooms were one of the biggest needs for the athletic facilities, as both the boys and girls locker rooms, team rooms, and related facilities, had fallen into severe disrepair. In addition, the facilities were also very antiquated

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A cement mixer pours concrete for the new tennis courts. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY

### **COMMUNITY**



Connor Cross, 5, draws a heart on a "Be Kind" sign. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MICHAEL J. BALLWAY

# 'Be Kind,' the sign says

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A little wood, a little paint, a little heart, six letters and the simplest of messages: "Be Kind."

Dozens, young and old alike, spent their Thursday morning last week producing simple wooden lawn signs to be placed around town. In a summer of violence, terror and hate, organizers hope this simple reminder can be part of the solution.

It started with Sherry Balzano, a Feeding Hills resident. She said she was reading the book "Wonder," the bestselling debut novel by R.J. Palacio, about a fifth-grader with a facial deformity who faces bullying in school. Discussing the book with her family, "We talked about how kindness needs to be spread in Agawam."

She knew a friend in Connecticut who, also inspired by the book, had placed signs around town asking neighbors to "be kind."

"We put it on our Facebook page and got a tremendous response," Balzano said.

Moms and dads around town kept asking her: How can we get involved? Pretty soon, the group had a list of households that wanted signs and families willing to spend a morning painting. The group met at the pavilion at St. John's Field on July 14.

Balzano said kids at Bambi Nursery School

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# Suspect arrested in Main St. bank heist

SPRINGFIELD — The suspect in several area bank robberies, including one in Agawam, was arrested last week in Enfield.

Hampden District Attorney Anthony Gulluni stated, "I would like to thank Troopers Sullivan and Blanchette of the State Police Detective Unit, along members of the Massachusetts State Police Violent Fugitive Apprehension Section and members of the other local police departments, for the exceptional investigative work that has led to this arrest. This is a great example of multiple law enforcement agencies combining forces to get a very dangerous individual off of our streets."

Arrested was Joseph Richey, 35, of Springfield. The State Police Detective Unit assigned to the DA had been assisting multiple local police departments in the search of a suspect since July 6, when Agawam police asked for assistance in the investigation of the July 1 robbery at Easthampton Savings Bank on Main Street. Based upon video evidence, the identification of a suspect was made.

The following day, the Chicopee Police Department contacted State Police detectives for assistance in a recent bank robbery in Chicopee. A description of the suspect matched the description of the suspect involved in the Agawam case, as well as a convenience store robbery in West Springfield.

Based upon intelligence gathered during the course of the investigation arrest warrants were issued from Agawam, Chicopee, Ludlow and West Springfield.

Members of the Massachusetts State



Police, Agawam, Chicopee, Ludlow, Springfield, and West Springfield Police Departments started a wide search of the Western Massachusetts area for the suspect involved in the string of robberies.

During the course of the investigation it was determined that Richey was at a location just over the state line in Enfield, Conn. While authorities where zeroing in on his location in Enfield, Richey engaged the Springfield Police Department in a motor vehicle chase, Gulluni said. He was able to evade the police close to the Connecti-

A short time later, members of the Enfield Police Department assisted by troopers Sullivan and Blanchette arrested the suspect at a Red Roof Inn.



The July 5 fire that destroyed a large part of this barn at Crowley's Sales Barn and Stables, was likely an accident, investigators have determined. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

# Barn burned 40 minutes before alarm; cause still unknown

State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostroskey, Agawam Fire Chief Alan Sirois, and Agawam Police Chief Eric Gillis have concluded the investigation into the July 5 fire at the Crowley's Sales Barn and Stables at 32 Shoemaker Lane in Agawam.

After review of surveillance video footage, interviews with eyewitnesses, and a forensic fire scene examination, they determined the fire started in the area of the grain room inside the barn. Video shows that the fire had been burning undetected for about 40 minutes before it was discovered and the Fire Department was called. The fire scene examination indicates a slow smoldering fire that took a long time to progress.

The exact cause cannot be determined

because the electrical system cannot be eliminated as a possible cause. There is no evidence from the fire scene to suggest an intentionally set fire.

The fire was jointly investigated by the Agawam Fire Department, the Agawam Police Department and State Police assigned to the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

Last week, Alice Crowley, one of the barn's owners, said the business is operating again and all the surviving animals have been moved to different accommodations. One horse did perish in the fire. There were no injuries to firefighters or civilians. About half of the barn structure was saved. with an estimated \$100,000 worth of damage to the barn.





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### **NEWS & FEATURES**

As a paper of record, we attempt to cover all general news, personality profiles, and community features that we know about. This includes all selectmen and school committee meetings as well as spot planning board, board of health, finance, and other town meetings determined by the issue's relevance to our readers. There are the annual major community event features that we should always cover, but we are more than open to suggestions of other features to celebrate the fabric of our communities and their many interesting occupants. Our loyal advertisers provide funding for this paid staff coverage.

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# Agawam's own 'Kelley B.' returns for free reggae concert

By Michael J. Ballway

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Kelley Bolduc comes home next week with a trumpet in one hand, a microphone in the other and thousands of miles of island-hopping behind her.

"Expect to dance," she said. "It's always a fun show. It's always positive vibes."

Bolduc's new band, Inna Sense, will play a free concert Wednesday night at School Street Park, part of the SummerFest series. She recently joined the Miami-based reggae band after 25 years leading Hot Like Fire, a calypso and soca band in Boston.

For Bolduc, a career playing island music up and down the East Coast started with elementary school trumpet lessons in Agawam. At Agawam High School, she played in the jazz band, wind ensemble and marching band. After graduation, she attended the Berklee College of Music in

At a concert given by a fellow student from Barbados, Bolduc won free airline tickets to that West Indian island as a contest prize, and was asked to bring her trumpet along. She played with a 15-piece horn section backing up calypso artists at Crop Over, the island's Carnival.

"I was inspired to re-create that when I went back to Boston," she recalls. "I just fell in love with the music

Later, she began playing the annual Carnival in Trinidad, the birthplace of calypso, backing up all of the top acts in calypso and soca.

She said she was "always treated like a local" in Barbados and Trinidad, even though she'd never felt more keenly aware of her race, in countries where whites are a minority. As a trumpet player, the difference in culture and upbringing didn't mean much, she said; as a singer, it probably

For more than two decades, she led the band Hot Like Fire, which played "authentic island music" in New England, both covers and original pieces. It was under the Hot Like Fire name that Bolduc released four CDs, a self-titled debut that won the Boston Caribbean Music Award for CD of the year; "Reggae Round the World"; "Forward," which included her own compositions and singing; and the latest, "More Trumpet," a fully instrumental album of reggae and calypso originals.

"It's the kind of CD you want to roll your windows down and listen in the summertime," she said.

She said the music attracted a mixed audience — not just expatriates from Trinidad and other islands who want to hear their own music. For six years, the band had a regular gig every Sunday in Salisbury Beach, N.H.

'When you play positive music like this, it really brings people together," she said.

Wednesday's concert will feature both covers and originals, Kelley's own songs and songs from Inna Sense's back

# Vendors sought for tag and craft sale

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will be holding its annual tag and craft sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Aug. 27. They are seeking vendors to participate in this highly advertised and well-at-

The sale is held rain or shine, indoors at St. John Evangelist Parish Center, 833 Main St., Agawam. Lunch and refreshments will be available for snoppers and vendors.

For more information and to reserve a space, call Jackie at 860-212-9950.



Kelley Bolduc will return to Agawam next week with her new band, Inna Sense. Submitted photo

Reggae, from Jamaica, is probably the best known Caribbean music, popularized in America by Bob Marley. Calypso comes from Trinidad, the second-largest English-speaking island in the Caribbean, and soca is a more dance-oriented, percussive Trinidadian sound. The trumpet is a core instrument in all three.

Jimi Dred, the leader of Inna Sense, said Bolduc brings much-needed brass to his band.

"It is a dream come true to have Kelley B. in Inna Sense," Dred said. "After years of playing as a four-piece, trying to emulate a horn section with a keyboard, I can finally produce the kind of music I've always had an affinity for."

Bolduc said she feels as though she and Dred were "separated at birth" — they have the same approach to music and their careers have followed similar paths, his in Miami,

She isn't strictly a Caribbean trumpeter. In the Northeast, the demand for calypso and reggae is seasonal, and Bolduc often spends her "offseason" playing with blues bands or in musicals, work that's closer to the style of trumpeting she learned in school.

'There's a big scene of local theaters" in Boston, she said. "I've probably played on 10 musicals in the last three years—'Sound of Music,' 'Oklahoma,' 'La Cage aux Folles' ... It keeps everything fresh. Brings me back to all that Berklee

She said she's always been a fan of Miles Davis, and when she listens to music for fun, it's often jazz.

"A lot of times, the reggae stuff becomes work when I listen to it — my mind goes into research mode," she said. "Being a musician, it's so hard to enjoy music, sometimes."

Bolduc hasn't played a concert in Agawam since almost 10 years ago, the last time Hot Like Fire appeared at SummerFest. Hot Like Fire did play at Louie B's in Southwick last year, and Inna Sense will appear there this Saturday, July 23, in addition to next week's free concert in Agawam.

One of the biggest changes she'll see this year is the new band shell at School Street Park, which debuted last summer and was renamed earlier this year in honor of Darcy Davis. Bolduc remembers Davis, who was her marching band director at AHS. "He played a big role in my musical education," she said.

She also credited her mother, Lorraine Sabourin, as always supporting her musical career. Sabourin and her husband Frank, Bolduc's stepfather, are planning to fly up to Agawam for the concert. Bolduc's father Cyril died in

Bolduc's move to Florida gets her closer to where her mother is living now, but she's also enjoying being solely a musician in a band — rather than having to run the group, including bookings and promotion — and touring. Inna Sense was in Ocean City, Md., last week, and was slated to play two concerts in New York before hitting Agawam, Southwick, Martha's Vineyard and Newburyport later this

# Inna Sense featured band at July 27 SummerFest

Inna Sense, a Miami-based raggae band which includes Agawam native Kelley Bolduc, will be the featured performance at the next Summer-Fest concert scheduled for Wednesday, July 27, at 7 p.m. SummerFest is brought to the public free of charge by the Agawam Parks and Recreation Department, the Agawam Rotary Club and the Agawam Cultural Council, with support from local sponsors. The concert will be in the Darcy Davis Band Shell at School Street Park. In case of rain, the concert will be moved to the air-conditioned Agawam High School auditorium at 760

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# Opinion

# **Beat the heat** and stay safe

fter a year where we've feasted on mild weather - a warm winter, few spring storms, and a mostly comfortable start to summer — it's time to get cooking.

The heat is on, you might say.

Temperatures finally reached the 90s for consecutive days in the month of July, and it looks like we may end up in a heat wave — three consecutive days over 90 — sometime this week or next. That means it's time to think seriously about how you'll cope when uncomfortable climate turns to dangerous condi-

First, remember that not everyone is affected the same way. Seniors, children and pets deserve special attention in hot and sunny weather. Check on your elderly relatives and neighbors during a heat wave. Keep a close eye on the youngsters and animals in your care. It should go without saying that a parked car, even with the windows "cracked open" or the fan blowing, is no place for a child or a pet. But also remember that they should spend less time playing outside in the hot summer sun than they would on a 70-degree partly cloudy day in April. Call them inside for a drink of water.

We should all drink plenty of water. The advertising companies would like us to think that the classic summer quaff is lemonade, cola, iced tea or ice-cold beer, but it's water, not sugar or alcohol, that your body really needs to stay healthy.

Be smart about when you go out. The sun's ultraviolet rays cause the most damage, and the heat hits us the hardest, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. If you can, mow the lawn, or play catch, or go for that bike ride around dawn or dusk, when it's cooler and safer for your skin. If you must spend an extended amount of time outdoors, wear sunscreen of at least SPF 15. Find shelter from the sun beneath a tree, awning or the shadow of a building.

If you have air conditioning in your home or office, that's one way to beat the heat indoors. But who wants to stay inside all summer? And running the A.C. at full blast all day costs big money — money you'd surely rather spend on new swimsuits or grilling meats or baseball tickets.

Invest in a programmable thermostat that runs the air conditioning only when you need it — when people are in the house, and temperatures are at their highest. Consider sleeping with the windows open (and air conditioning off) on cool summer nights. Keep doors and windows closed when the air conditioning is on, and close the drapes to keep sunlight out during the day. Heat rises, so plan to spend the hottest times of the day on the first floor or in the basement.

Stay safe this summer, and save some money, too. After all, you may wish to spend the cash in the winter — plane tickets, perhaps, to somewhere a little warmer?

What do you think? Send your letter to the editor to aan@turley.com.

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### Letters to the Editor

### Beautification Committee to be commended

Vi Baldwin and her Beautification Committee are to be commended for the extraordinary work they have done not only for the flowers and plants along Main Street in the center of town and at other locations, but also for the forsythia and roses planted at the School Street Park. These are the real

entrances to be appreciated in Agawam. What we need from the administration is more thanks to all our town volunteers.

> Teresa Kozloski Agawam



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### Robinson Park School welcomes PTO and new principal

It is only July but I'm excited to say hello and introduce the Robinson Park School PTO board for the 2016-17 school year and invite all Robinson Park School families to an important event coming up.

My name is Meleen Gaynor (Mel), the PTO president, and I have two boys, one in first and the other in second grade, and a daughter that is a junior at the high school. I have been a part of the PTO's since 2005.

I'm happy to also introduce the other officers. Kristie Luke is vice president. Kristie has four kids, all of which attended RPS. Her youngest is currently going into first grade. She also has a fifth-grader, eighthgrader and a junior in high school. She has served on the PTO since 2005 and has been a board member for the past few years.

Jessica Albro, the treasurer, is the mom of three. Her oldest son is going into third grade. The middle son is going into first grade, and she has a 21-month-old daughter at home. This is Jessica's fourth year on the PTO and first year as treasurer

Katey Natale, the secretary, is the mom of three boys. Her oldest will be entering fourth grade, her middle son will be entering second grade, and her youngest will be starting preschool this fall. This is Katey's second year as secretary for the RPS PTO.

There will be a new principal and PTO meet and greet at the school on Wednesday, Aug. 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. We will be sharing what we would like to do for the year and also asking you for your input. Please come and say hello; the whole family is welcome. Light refreshments will be offered. We can't wait to see everyone.

> Meleen Gaynor Feeding Hills

Agawam taxpayers own a golf course

If you are a property owner in Agawam, you've invested in the Agawam Municipal Golf Course over the last three years. In total, nearly half a million dollars of property taxes we've paid have been transferred into the AMGC fund, as facility revenues have declined since early in this century. Some may recall from my op-eds early last fall, that I'm skeptical of our facility's ability to operate consistently "in the black." In short, there is more golf course availability than people demand in today's technology focused world.

However, town government has little inclination to give up on the course - so as someone who golfed for over 40 years, worked in business finance for most of those years, and pays significant property taxes, I've gotten involved. Maybe you can prove my skepticism to be unjustified.

After attending a couple of golf commission meetings in the banquet room onsite, and walking the quiet golf course one weekend evening, I was impressed by the progress that's been made at our facility. The banquet room is a decent facility of some size, with one section offering spectacular views of Feeding Hills. The turf quality and playing conditions of the greens, fairways and teeing grounds is good. More than half of our investment went into a fleet of new golf carts and extensive paved parking, two to three years ago.

I believe that the facility is worthy of consideration for your golf foursome,

league or tournament, your business' or organization's outing, a charitable event, banquet, social or family event, community activity, political fundraiser, meet and greet, et al. Particularly if you're a private organization, I understand if you decide to choose Oak Ridge, Crestview, or elsewhere instead. You have every right to do so. I just ask that you give AMGC a look before finalizing your plans. What I can't understand is when I see that the high school teacher's retirement outing, the high school athletics benefit, the Senior Center outing, or any other "fellow" town department's event goes to Oak Ridge or St Anne's. Even seeing the town Little League affiliate go elsewhere is frustrating, though admittedly they are part of a private international organization.

Please remember when deciding where to golf and/or hold your event that you're already invested in this facility. Arguably, continued recreational use of the land is good for our community as well. And the course is "giving back," holding a 38-member weekly junior golf program this sum-

In closing, I dare you to prove my skepticism wrong. Doing so may reward you in more ways than you realize.

> Brian D. Halla Agawam

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# Obituaries

## Charles R. Calabrese, 93

Charles Ralph Calabrese, 93, passed away peacefully on July 18 at his home in Agawam. Born on Jan. 27 1923, Charlie was a lifelong resident of Agawam. Charlie was chairman of the board at Calabrese Construction Company, Inc.



He was involved in homebuilding for more than 60 years and contributed a significant amount of time and energy to the Home Builders Association including a term as president of the Massachusetts HBA as well as a delegate to the National Association. The Home Builders

Association of Massachusetts selected Charlie as "Builder of the Year" in 1997, the highest honor awarded by the association. In addition, Charlie was involved in many other community organizations. He served as chairman of the Agawam Planning Board, was a charter member of Agawam UNICO and in 1985 was chosen as UNICO's "Man of the Year" for his significant achievements in the town. Charlie was a director of the Agawam Lions Club, a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Agawam Chamber of Commerce. Charlie was a Little League baseball coach and an avid sports fan. He especially loved the Red Sox and Patriots. He was excited to see Jimmy Garoppolo play, and win, the first four games of this coming Patriot season. While Charlie enjoyed time on the Cape and in later years, Siesta Key, Fla., he always considered Agawam his home. He graduated from Agawam High School and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Charlie was preceded in death by his wife of 30 years, Theresa Moriarty Calabrese, his sister Stella Gallerani and Joseph Calabrese. He is survived by his five children, daughter Donna Dreyer and husband Douglas of Feeding Hills, son Charles A. Calabrese and wife Kathi of West Springfield, daughter Marylou Ganssle and husband Christopher of Fairfax Station Va., son Dr. Michael Calabrese and wife Cecilia of Feeding Hills and daughter Attorney Christina Calabrese also, of Feeding Hills. Charlie is also survived by 11 grandchildren and his companion, Joan Kane of Agawam. A celebration of Charlie's life was held July 20 at Colonial Forastiere Funeral Home, 985 Main St., Agawam. The funeral service will be on Thursday, July 21 beginning at 8:15 a.m. at the funeral home, with a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 9:30 a.m. in St. John's the Evangelist Church, 833 Main St., Agawam. Services will conclude with committal prayers and Military Honors in the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, Agawam, In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the MassGeneral Institute for Neurodegenerative Disease, Building 114, Charlestown Navy Yard, 16th St., Charlestown, MA 02129 or to the Agawam Lions Club, P.O. Box 52, Agawam, MA 01001.

# Raymond F. Lucia Jr., 77 Raymond Frank Lucia Jr., 77, was welcomed

into God's arms on Friday, July 15, surrounded



by the care and comfort of his family. Ray was born to Grace and Raymond Lucia Sr. on March 3, 1939, in Agawam. He graduated from Agawam High in 1959 and spent his entire life in Agawam. In 1957, Ray enlisted in the Air National Guard during the Berlin Crisis. In 1958, he was

honorably discharged when his father became ill and he returned home to help out with the company his father had started, Lucia Lumber Company. In 1961, he married his one true love, Joanne Keiski and they soon welcomed their children Steven and Tammy into their lives. His children revered and respected him and will remember him as a loving and kind father who encouraged them to strive for excellence. Ray was an accomplished multiengine pilot and loved to fly. But his greatest passion was trucks. From buying and selling, to learning how to repair and maintain them, Ray devoted a great deal of his time to them. In his later years, he began building trucks with his own hands. Lucia Lumber is well known for its beautiful and well maintained trucks. Ray was a hardworking man but had a great sense of humor. He would stop whatever he was doing to listen to or tell a funny story. He was always there to help out anyone in need. He went above and beyond to lend a hand however he could, especially for his employees. He was a leader and a mentor and many of his much loved employees will attest that he changed the course of their lives with his generosity and support. Ray leaves his loving wife of 54 years, Joanne; his son Steven and his wife Susan; his daughter Tammy and her partner Michael Guy, all of Agawam; and his sister, Patricia Mercandante of Feeding Hills. He also leaves his treasured grandchildren Steven Jr., Christopher and April. He will be fondly remembered by many friends and business associates both locally and across the country. The arrangements will be private. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the American Cancer Society. Condolences can be mailed to Lucia Lumber Company, P.O. Box 777, Agawam, MA 01001 or emailed to RayLucia@LuciaLumber. com. New England Funeral & Cremation Center. LLC 25 Mill Street, Springfield, has been entrusted with the arrangements. www.nefcc.net

### **DEATH NOTICES**

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### Calabrese, Charles R.

Died July 18 Funeral July 21 Colonial Forastiere Funeral Home of Agawam

### Frazee, Laura H.

Died July 9 Funeral July 15 Colonial Forastiere Funeral Home of Agawam

### Girard, Alma R.

Died July 14 Funeral July 25 Newkirk & Whitney Funeral Home East Hartford, Conn.

### Gregor, James G.

Died July 12 Funeral July 18, 2016 Colonial Forastiere Funeral Home of Agawam

### Lucia, Raymond F. Jr.

Died July 15 Private services New England Funeral & Cremation Center Springfield

### Wooddell, Robert H.

Died July 13 Funeral July 20 Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home West Springfield

### Vandani, Ann F.

Died July 13 Private services Toomey-O'Brien Funeral

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### Mixed signals on cooling centers

Town officials sent out a broadcast message on Friday indicating that the Agawam Public Library and the Agawam Senior Center would be designated cooling centers until 8 p.m. I stopped at the library a little after 6 p.m. and found it closed. I didn't need the cooling center but figured I'd catch up on my newspaper reading while others cooled themselves. The sign at the library's entrance said that the library was a designated cooling center until 6 p.m. (the normal closing time on Fridays), and that an alternate location, the Senior Center, was open until 8 p.m.

I then went to the Senior Center to see if the operation of the cooling center would interfere with my ability to use the fitness room. As I entered the parking lot, I noticed more cars than I would typically see on a Friday evening. I assumed that several people must be using the cooling center. I found it strange, though, that neither entrance to the Senior Center had a sign indicating that the building was a cooling center. There wasn't a sign out on the front lawn either.

When I entered the building from the parking-lot level, there were a few people in the lobby dressed in black. One of them asked me if I was there for the funeral. I said no. Perhaps the question was not so strange since Dalton Funeral Home was once located where the Senior Center now stands. As it turned out, most of the cars were at the center for a short play called, "The Funeral." No one was there to use the building to stay cool, and no one would have found a sign anywhere on the site indicating that the building had been designated as a cooling center.

> Mike Marieb Feeding Hills

### **FAITH MATTERS**

# Faith can keep us going

**Harvey Hill** 

Awful things keep happening in our world. On the morning I am writing this column, the headline in my local newspaper was, "Three Officers Die in Shooting." Apparently this shooting was motivated by anger at the death of yet another black man two weeks earlier. And so the cycle of violence continues.

The ugliness and violence of our world can be a challenge to our faith. But Christians are a resurrection people. We take seriously the horror of suffering and pain, evil and death. But as Christians, we insist that suffering and pain and evil and death are not the end of the story, that God is at work, bringing new life even out of death, that love wins in the end.

That faith can keep us going. Our world sometimes seems to be coming apart. But in his letter to the Colossians, Paul writes, "In Christ all

things hold together" (1:17). Our world sometimes seems to be defined by alienation and brokenness. But, Paul tells us, "Through [Christ] God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross" (1:20). All things.

It is not always easy to see Christ at work in the world around us. It is not always easy to see the reconciliation that Christ is bringing about even now. But as people of faith, we do our best to look beyond the horrific violence of our world to the One who is constantly at work in our midst, bringing about reconciliation and wholeness.

Ultimate reconciliation is God's work, not ours. But, as people of faith, we are called to join in Christ's work of reconciliation. We are called to speak a word of peace. We are called to share God's vision of reconciliation and hope. We are called "to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God" Micah 6:8).

> We are called to act as Christ's hands in the world, doing our small part to transform the world from the nightmare it is for some into the dream that God has for it.

> My own part in transforming the world is small indeed. But each of us can at least continue to hope and to work for reconciliation in our personal lives by refusing to submit to hatred or anger or simple incivility, by striving for forgiveness and love and mercy.

And we can pray. We pray for the victims of violence. We pray for the

victims of hopelessness. We pray for the victims of poverty and injustice and oppression. We pray for all people who suffer. We pray that they will know the healing love of God. We pray for the reconciliation that Christ is bringing about.

Harvey Hill is the pastor at Saint David's Episcopal Church on Springfield Street in Feeding Hills.

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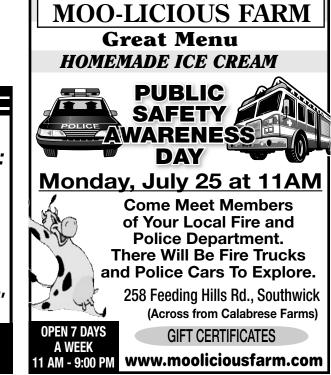
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# John Morrissey

n Saturday, July 9, Agawam lost one of its favorite and best administrators, John Morrissey of

Westfield. He was appointed assistant principal at AHS in September 1971 and for many of us Brownies, it was our first encounter with him. We all soon learned that he was perfect for the job — fun to work with, well liked by the students and most of all, a proud father. In September 1981, he was appointed principal, a job he held until his retirement.

When you lose a friend in life you think of times you were to-

gether and what you did or what was said. For Mr. Morrissey, one time had to be the time he told the story about the size of his family. He and his wife Bernice had five girls in a row as their family grew. Naturally, they were hoping for a boy, so when his son John was born, as Mr. Morrissey explained it, they figured they were on a roll, so they tried again. Back to girls, so that was all she wrote for the Morrisseys. A



**Walt Willard** 

great story told by a great man.

Surely, Mr. Morrissey was proud of all his children and grandchildren, but I pic-

ture him with a Trinity jacket on. His son John went to Trinity and played football there.

The last time I saw Mr. Morrissey was at a high school baseball tournament game in Westfield. He asked me how I was doing and I'm sure how Roger Leclerc and my sister Fran were doing. But what I remember most about that time is that he called me by a name he had for — "Vladek," Polish for Walter.

In 30 years of being a teacher, I had eight or nine different principals. Mr. Morrissey was the best of them all!

Walt Willard went to AHS and taught math there for 16 years. He can be reached at 413-786-7924. Call him. Walt loves your feedback and any and all information or tidbits you can offer.



John Morrissey in the high school yearbook.

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### **CLUES ACROSS**

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### **CLUES DOWN**

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- Dylan 53. Wings
- 54. Away from wind 57. Slugger Ruth
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for 2016 sports use.

She said the asbestos has been removed by the contractor according to the proper and safe means, and work should able to begin soon.

We are not 100 percent sure if the locker rooms will be ready to start school, but we are going to try," said Bonfiglio, who meets with the construction team at least once a week to go over the progress of the various projects inside and outside.

The new artificial turf multi-use field, which will be used for football, soccer, field hockey, and lacrosse, has been laid down. Bonfiglio said the numbers, some of the lines, and the large Agawam "A" were sewn into the turf.

"It was really interesting in to see how they install those designs, actually sewing them in," she said. "The rest of the lines for some sports like girls lacrosse and field hockey will be painted in."

Once the drainage is completed, the all-weather surface will be installed for the track. Also to be installed are track and field accommodations like the long jump pit.

Other tasks to be completed on the new field are the press box and 1,500-capacity stands. Bonfiglio said due to concerns about the glare from a sunset, the stands and press box will now be at the west side of the field instead of the east side as originally planned. New lights have already been installed.

"We also have purchased portable stands that can be placed on the concrete pad that will be on the east side of the field," said Bongfiglio. "The stands are portable and can be moved to other locations. They will get used during larger events, like tournament games and football games, especially on Thanksgiving when we have much larger crowds."

The new tennis and outdoor basketball courts are coming along nicely with the concrete base and infrastructure installed. Nearby, the auxiliary field hockey, soccer, and lacrosse practice fields will be one of the last things done, and will not be used (this fall?) that fall because the grass will not be grown.

In back of Agawam High School, the shaping of the new varsity baseball field has been laid out. The fencing and backstop have also been installed. The dugouts and actual surface for the baseball and softball fields are still to come.

The substantial completion date for the project is Aug. 26. Bonfiglio said she makes regular updates for town officials on the progress of the project.



The original gateway to Harmon A. Smith will be preserved, but shifted slightly to reflect a new



Workers continue construction on a ticket booth, concession, and bathroom building. TURLEY PUBLICA-



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FIRE LOG

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Fire logs for July 11-17 were not received in time for the press deadline. They will be printed in a future edition of the Agawam Advertiser News.

# Public Safety

### **POLICE LOG**

The Agawam Police Department responded to 402 calls for service from July 11 to July 17. The department recorded four arrests in its public log. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven quilty.

### Monday, July 11

Elizabeth Marie Roulston, 39, of Belden Court, Agawam, was arrested on charges of of breaking and entering in the nighttime with intent to commit felony, and malicious destruction of property over \$250.

### Thursday, July 14

Friday, July 15

Clayton Kason Lewis, 25, of Everett St., Springfield, was arrested on a

Jahleele Guidry, 27, of St. James Avenue, Springfield, was arrested on a warrant for operating after suspension.

### Saturday, July 16

Jacob D. Bouyea, 20, of Robin Lane, Feeding Hills, was arrested on a charge of disturbing the peace.

# Youth



The curtain falls on cast members of "The Lost Bookmarker" at the Red Door Theatre. The curtain call also ushers in the next theatre camp for 8 to 15 year-olds, "Merlin's Mirror" which opens July 22-24.

# 'Merlin's Mirror' next in Red Door's summer programs

Theatre's summer season will take the audience back to days of old when knights were bold and Merlin's magic mirror was enchanted by the sorceress Morgan LeFay and Camelot came under her power. When Merlin and his young apprentice Arthur begin to age backwards, everyone in Camelot begins to wonder if either one is fit to unite the country and bring peace to

This original tale from the Arthurian legends was written for the stage by Margie Secora of Southwick and directed by Megan Banks-Pearsons of West Springfield. Thirty-six young people from surrounding towns will perform the play after attending a weeklong theatre camp at the popular, award-winning theatre which is currently celebrating its 25th anniver-

sary.
"Merlin's Mirror" will run Friday and Saturday, July 22 and 23, at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, July 23 and 24, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$9 per person and may be reserved by calling the box office at 413-789-2026. For more information on this and future summer productions, visit www.reddoortheatre.com.

# Robinson Park PTO to host

meet and greet

There will be a new principal and PTO meet and greet Robinson Park School from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 10. The PTO board members will discuss their plans for the year and will also ask for input. All Robinson Park School parents and families are welcome. Light refreshments will be offered.

The school is at 65 Begley St. in Agawam.



# 'T-Bone' up next at the KidsFest show

Tom Stankus, or "T-Bone" to his audiences, will perform at the next KidsFest show at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 27. KidsFest is brought to the public free of charge by the Agawam Parks and Recreation Department, the Agawam Rotary Club and the Agawam Cultural Council, with support from local sponsors. The show will be held outdoors at the Veterans Green, 689 Main St., Agawam, next to Phelps School. In case of rain, the show will be moved indoors to the Phelps gymnasium.

Affectionately known as "America's Musical Pied Piper," T-Bone has entertained thousands of people since 1978. Maybe it's the child in him that enables T-Bone to connect so well with his audiences. Maybe it's the energy of a runaway freight train. Whatever the reason, and before his audiences realize it, they are clapping, dancing and singing at T-Bone's shows.

"I love making people happy, especially children," he said. And it is particularly satisfying when my audiences feel that they are the most important part of the show. Which they are."

Stankus has a bachelor of arts degree in music and taught kindergarten through grade 8 public school music from 1972 to 1977. Since then he has pursued a full-time career as a professional musical entertainer/educator, performing for children of all ages from coast to coast. He has delighted his young audiences performing at school assembly programs, theaters, libraries, fairs, church and civic organizations as well as television and radio. He is a seasoned performer who brings a wealth of information and background to each program. He has an engaging personality that children love and he has the ability to make learning fun.



"America's Musical Pied Piper," T-Bone will perform at the July 27 KidsFest show at Veterans Green in Agawam. SUBMITTED PHOTO

### CAMPUS NOTES...

Clarkson University: Alexander Peterson, of Agawam, will attend beginning in the fall as a member of the Class of 2020 and will major in mechanical engineering

Rochester Institute of Technology: Emily Jefferson, of Agawam, was named to the spring semester dean's list.

University of Massachusetts Dartmouth: Caroline Daubitz, of Feeding Hills, was named to the chancellor's list for the

spring semester. Caitlyn Pisarski, of Agawam, and Sarah Stephens, of Feeding Hills, were named to the spring semester dean's

Williston Northampton School: Noah DeVos and Michael Lloydof Feeding Hills, achieved high honors for the third trimester, and Caroline Wysocki, of Agawam, achieved honors for the third trimester.







### SIGNS | from page 1

were also planning to make signs last week. In addition to parents and children, some Agawam teachers showed up at St. John's Field to help with the signmaking.

Christine Nowacki, an Agawam resident who teaches reading in the town of Wales, said "Wonder" is part of her fifth-grade curriculum and tells an inspiring story.

All the materials for the signs were donated, Balzano said, except the paint, which families provided on their own. Much of the wood came from recycled warehouse pallets. Without donations, the project would have cost thousands of dollars, Balzano said.

The signs won't just be popping up on front lawns around Agawam. According to Balzano, all of the town's public schools, Town Hall and police and fire buildings requested signs. School Committee member Wendy Rua, whose family is involved in the "Be Kind" group, said requests for signs have also come in from neighboring communities like Southwick and West Springfield.

When word of the acts of kindness spread to Mayor Richard Cohen, he invited the group to come place the first sign at Agawam Town Hall.

Cohen also requested a sign for his own yard and was given one to post in his of-

"I thought that was such a wonderful



Maddie Balzano, 8, presents Mayor Richard Cohen with a "Be Kind" sign for his office. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

idea," said Cohen. "When I saw it on Facebook, it brought such a huge smile to my face. I believe in intentional acts of kindness, and this certainly is one."

In all, the group made 280 signs. The group consisted of numerous adults and children of all different ages.

Polley said he enjoyed being part of the project because there is too much violence. Spreading kindness through this message was a good thing to do.

Gabriella Mares, 10, said she hopes seeing the signs will encourage people to be peaceful.



Mayor Richard Cohen joins residents from the town in holding "Be Kind" signs that were created and

distributed throughout town. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

Kaitlyn Mansur, 9, left, and Erin Taylor, 8, work on "Be Kind" signs at the pavilion at St. John's Field last Thursday. Turley publications photo by Michael J. Ballway



Cecelia Mansur, 7, letters a "Be Kind" sign. TUR-LEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MICHAEL J. BALLWAY



Mayor Richard Cohen helps install the first sign in front of Agawam Town Hall. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELL



kindness — they were hoping to complete 300 last week. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MICHAEL J. BALLWAY



# Leonard House beer, BBQ fundraiser is Friday

An outdoor Summer Craft Beer Tasting and Barbecue is being held Friday, July 22, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Captain Charles Leonard House, 663 Main St., Agawam. The fundraising event is being sponsored by McCarthy Liquors, with proceeds being donated to the Leonard House for the maintenance and preservation of this historic landmark.

In addition to a large variety of craft and domestic beers, the tavern fare will include pulled pork, homemade macaroni and cheese with ham, hamburgers and hotdogs, salads, and ice cream for dessert. Live music will be performed by former Feeding Hills resident Rick Gemme.

Tickets are available for \$25 each at McCarthy Liquors, 430 Main St., Agawam, Johnny Mac Liquors, 1949 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, or by calling Phil Kimball at 413-374-5673. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. Attendees must be at least 21 years old.



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who is organizing the event.

Agawam police officers and firefighters will be at the Night Out to talk with residents. Representatives from the State Police, local and state emergency management agencies, several military branches, and the U.S. Marshal's Office will also be hand to meet with the public.

Burke said officers attend other functions and events in town throughout the year as part of an ongoing community policing effort to speak with citizens about crime-prevention activities and create better police-community partnerships, but this is the department's largest and most visible community policing event.

'We want our community to know we're here for them and that we want to help them in any way that we can," he added.

Although there aren't any statistics showing the effectiveness of the event in Agawam, Burke said speaking with people at the event and throughout the year has convinced him that it does make a difference.

"Many people have told me how great [National Night Out] is — that by coming to our event they've not only learned how to keep themselves safe but also found out what to do in an emergency situation," said Burke, who is also the school resource officer at Agawam High School. "If we can help just one person or prevent even one crime from happening, then it's well worth the effort to put it on each year."

Planning for the August event begins in February, when Burke contacts other public safety agencies and organizations to invite them to Agawam's National Night Out. He said they "are always more than happy and willing" to send units.

This year, the State Police K-9 unit will be back to show how their dogs and officers work as a team to stop crimes. The State Police helicopter also may make an appearance, but Burke said that's not definite.

Safe Kids Worldwide, a global non-profit organization that works to prevent childhood injuries, and Dorel Juvenile, a manufacturer of child restraint systems for vehicles, will offer free safety checks of child car seats. A local auto dealer, Sarat Ford Lincoln, will bring several vehicles to the safety check so parents can learn about how cars seats should fit and be installed.

The safety seat checks will begin at 3 p.m. and run through the end of the event. Additionally, the Elm-Belcher Masonic Lodge in Agawam will provide child ID kits.

Emergency vehicles from the town's Police and Fire departments will be on view as will those from other agencies. The Fire Department also will cut up a donated vehicle to demonstrate the capabilities of its Jaws of Life tools.

### Food and music

In addition to the safety-oriented demonstrations, there will be a performance by students from a local dance studio. Free food will also be available in the form of ice cream sandwiches donated by the Agawam Rotary Club and hot dogs donated by the Agawam Lions Club.

Too wash it all down, the Agawam branch of the Easthampton Savings Bank is donating 2,000 bottles of water.

'The bank likes to give back to the community and this event surely does that," said Susanne deVillier, the branch's assistant vice president.

DeVillier, who has been involved with Agawam's National Night Out since it started, has been working with Burke to get donated items and to arrange some activities.

The night "has been set up so everyone in the town can come out and have a good time as well as be educated in police, fire, and car seat safety," she said. "Each year, it keeps getting bigger and bigger, which is great."

After the Night Out wraps up, a Westfield band, Cory & the Knightsmen, will take to the park's band shell stage to perform a free concert. Created in 1967 by its leader, Cory DeGray, the band played at Agawam's first Night Out.

Known as "America's Night Out Against Crime," National Night Out began in 1984 as a traditional "lights on" campaign. The symbolic front porch vigils then became community celebrations across America. Each year, nearly 38 million people attend National Night Out in thousands of communities across the country.



Agawam residents crowd around a police cruiser to get a closer look inside during last year's National Night Out. Numerous emergency vehicles from the town's Police and Fire departments again will be on display at School Street Park on the evening of Aug. 2. FILE PHOTOS BY MIKE LYDICK

### **HAP ■** from page 1

DiCioccio also said she has concerns about the lottery system she learned would be used to determine who gets access to the 60 to 70 housing units that may go in the complex.

"There is no guarantee the housing would go to Agawam residents," said Di-Cioccio. "They may all come from out of

Residents were anxious to hear from Mayor Richard Cohen, who at one point was accused of being involved in secret meetings with HAP and learned of the potential complex. Cohen said the rumors are greatly exaggerated.

In March, Planning and Community Development Director Marc Strange, along with Housing Committee members James Cichetti, the city council's current president, and Corrine Wingard, went to an informational meeting with HAP. The purpose of the meeting was to learn about HAP and their programs and was part of the research process by the Housing Committee.

At the meeting, no potential projects in Agawam were presented or discussed, Strange emphasized.

It was also emphasized that Cohen and

members of the city council have had no meetings with HAP and they have many questions as well.

Some residents spoke out randomly, saying (delete the) town officials needed to step up and speak for the residents with the

Cohen explained part of the Chapter 40B process, saying it is state law, and if the state approves a potential HAP application, there would be nothing the city council or the mayor can do to stop a complex from being installed on Mill Street.

Because Chapter 40B is state law, Cohen invited State Sen. Donald Humason, R-Westfield, and State Rep. Nicholas Boldyga, R-Southwick, to attend the meeting and answer questions and concerns. Both stated in a letter they would not be able to come and were not present.

On Tuesday morning, the Agawam City Council followed up on a proposal to hold a workshop meeting to discuss the issues with a potential HAP project on Mill Street. Cichetti said the meeting will take place on Monday, July 25, at 7 p.m. in the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library. HAP representatives have been invited to the meeting, but have not committed as of press time.

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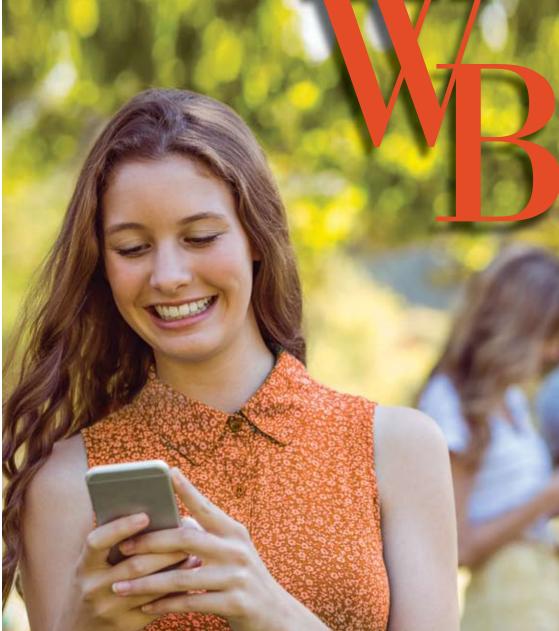
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**BASEBALL** 

# Local talent featured in new ITBL all-star game

By Gregory A. Scibelli gscibelli@turley.com

SPRINGFIELD – All-Star Games are always about fun and showcasing talent.

But on Monday afternoon, it was also about showcasing a league that is oozing with budding talent.

Playing at Western New England College, the first-ever ITBL, the Independent Travel Baseball League, All-Star Game.

The game featured the best players from the four teams in the 16 and under division.

One of the coaches, Dan Asselin, the coach of the Western Mass DiamondJaxx, headed a team that included a plethora of talented from the DiamondJaxx and Dream Bat Red team. Players came from all over the area, including Agawam, Chicopee, Wilbraham, Belchertown, Granby, and Ware.

"It's a great league and we are just in our first year," said Asselin. "There is some great talent and great competition here in the league. Andrew Sullivan, a resident of Agawam, said he enjoyed getting the opportunity to join several of his teammate and be part of the game.

"It was a lot of fun," he said.
"There are a lot of great players and I was honored to be picked."

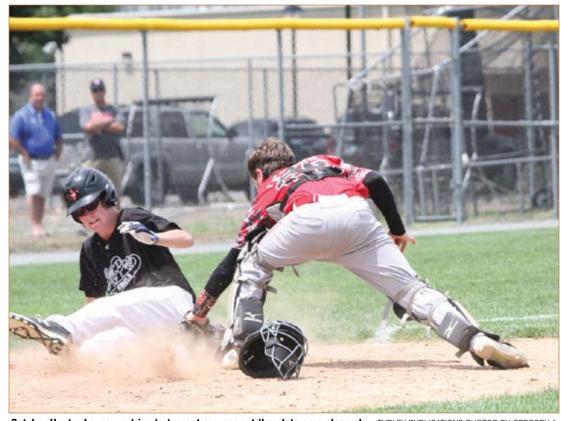
Nick Fedak, who played for the freshman team at Minnechaug Regional, got to have some fun, adding third base to his usual middle infield work in the game. He said the league has really helped him step up his game, and the all-star appearance helped show off his hard work.

"I put in a lot of work this season and the coaches have helped me improve as a fielder and a hitter," he said. "The mechanics of my swing are much better now."

Jake Crevier, who pitches for Ware High School, said he had a good time at the game. He pitched one inning for Asselin's squad, which was the home team in the game.

"It was a pretty awesome time," he said. "This is only the

ALL-STAR **I** page 11



Catcher Hunter Levesque tries to tag out a runner at the plate on a close play. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIRFI II



Caitlin Mormoyle looks for an opening. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHO-

## 'A' squads collide

Agawam "A" girls soccer team went up against Ludlow Ideal last Friday evening in Pioneer Valley Summer Soccer League action. As of earlier this week, Agawam's A team had a 4-3 record in the A Division, with a hold on the No. 6 position if the playoffs were to start now. Agawam has three games remaining in the summer season.



Katie Grasso tries to balance the ball.



Caitlyn Shean makes a pass



Alyssa Montagna makes a run up the field.



Natalie Pullen dribbles up the field.



Sierra Kruser looks to clear the ball.



Allyson Dubiel tries to lift a pass.

# Sports

# Junior Legion suffers playoff loss

By Gregory A. Scibelli gscibelli@turley.com

AGAWAM - The Agawam Junior American Legion Post 185 advanced to the second game of a double-elimination tournament and were defeated in that second game by top-seeded Wilbraham 8-1 last Tuesday evening at Spec Pond in Wilbraham.

Agawam would score its only run of the game in the second inning to take a 1-0 lead, but it was all Wilbraham from the third inning on as they got to Agawam's starting pitching.

Dan O'Connell got the starting call for Post 185, and had the Wilbraham hitters fooled for the first couple of innings.

He allowed just one baserunner on double with one out in the second inning before getting a strikeout and a fly out to close the inning.

Agawam's offense, meanwhile, scored in the top of the second inning.

Ben Meilnikowski led off the inning by reaching on a walk. One out later, it was A.J. Kerr who came through with a single to put runners on first and second. Then Justin Poirer was hit by a pitch to load the bases for Jake Wieners.

Wieners did what was needed early in the game. He lifted a sacrifice fly to deep center field, plating the first run of the game. Matt Dube would be retired on a pop out to end any further damage.

Wilbraham really got going in the bottom of the third. After O'Connell got the



Pitcher Dan O'Connell throws for the Agawam Junior Legion last Tuesday night, TURLEY PUBLICA-TIONS PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

first out, the bottom two hitters in the order, Jack Taylor and Danny Ransom would both single to set up the top of the order.

The next three hitters would reach on a fielder's choice, hit, and an error. Robbie Clark would also have a two-RBI single to make it a 4-1 cushion for Wilbraham in the third.

The bats were quieted for one inning,



Center fielder Nick Malerba comes up throwing after making a catch.

then Koby Ray socked a single in the fifth and advanced to second on a throwing error by the pitcher. He would come home on a sacrifice fly by Clark to make it 5-1.

Agawam got a couple of hits to start the sixth inning, but their runners were strand-

Troy Donahue got the win for Post 286, pitching well for Wilbraham and keeping Agawam hitters off balance in a complete



Justin Poirer pulls down a fly ball for an out.

game effort.

"He's a six-foot tall lefty," said Agawam coach Ron Wieners.

Wilbraham padded their lead with three more runs in the bottom of the sixth in-

Agawam's loss sent them to the elimination round where they were scheduled to face Ludlow. That game was suspended late last week due to a thunderstorm.

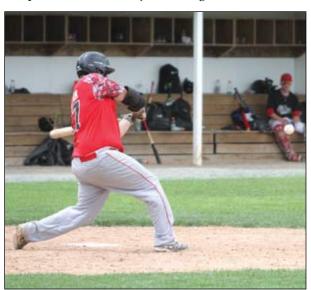
### **ALL-STAR** ■ from page 10

second time I have ever been a part of an all-star game. We get to have a lot of fun and that's what I am here for." Crevier said baseball is a big passion, as he plays spring ball with the high school team, summer with the DiamondJaxx, and in some tournaments in the late summer.

Dylan Weiss of Chicopee said the experience was the culmination of his hard work. He plays about 60 games throughout the year and is a year round baseball player.

"It was great to see all my hard work pay off," said Weiss, who also pitched an inning in the game.

Asselin said there is one week left in the regular season before a double elimination playoff takes place. He is looking forward to the league expansion next season, when it is expect more teams will join the league.

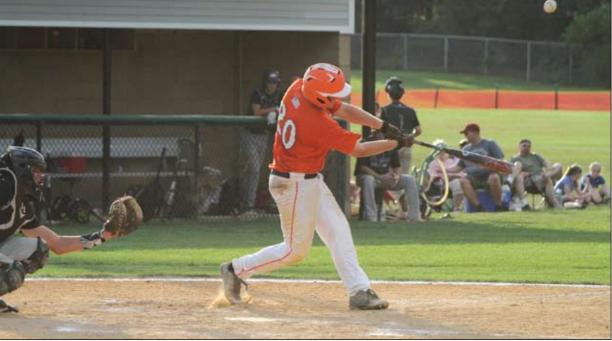


Andrew Sullivan makes contact and hustles down the line for infield hit. Turley publications photos by gregory A. Scibelli



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# Cafferky's first tally of season goes for naught as Mutiny concede late goal

WEST SPRINGFIELD - Familiar storylines from their first season in United Women's Soccer (UWS) abounded for the New England Mutiny in their match vs. 2016 East champion New Jersey Copa F.C. at West Springfield High School. For the fifth time this year, the New England scored the opening goal of the match, only to relinquish the lead. And again, the Mutiny (5-4) would pay for it as Copa (8-1-1) completed their regular season with a 3-2 win by scoring the game-winning goal on the last touch of the game. Camille Bowen - whose defensive miscue was taken advantage of on New England's first goal of the game - headed home a Jackie Bruno free kick in second half injury time to not only redeem herself for her earlier mistake, but grab the victory for the visitors. "It was an exciting game," said Mutiny team owner Joe Ferrara, Jr. "We played well and the women competed for 90 minutes. A couple of mental errors did us in and that cannot happen against an opponent that is hitting on all cylinders right now. Gutwrenching to lose on the final kick of the game, but it is somewhat poetic justice as set piece defending has been our Achilles heel all season."

The match started out in the Mutiny's favor and they forced NJCFC into a defensive error in the ninth minute. Abby Sotomayor pressured the Copa defense deep in their end of the pitch, and intercepted Bowen's back pass. The forward would dribble in one-on-one on goal and slotted her shot inside the far post past NJCFC goalkeeper Christiana Ogunsami (two saves). From there, the first half would evolve into a midfield war, as the physicality of the match increased with every minute as the clock ticked towards halftime. But New England would hold firm despite some missed passes and giveaways that gave New Jersey a few glimpses at goal, but nothing of consequence would dent the Mutiny net as they led 1-0 at halftime. The start of the second half would be a different matter, though, as Copa came out of the gates flying. The pressure would pay off in the 49th minute, as Bruno fed leagueleading scorer Krystyna Freda in on goal. New England keeper Annie Ulliac (eight saves) ran out to try and stop the opportunity, but Freda would skillfully place her shot inside the far corner for the equalizer. NJCFC would go up 2-1 in the 59th minute, as Freda was out wide on the right flank and sent in a ball that looked more like a cross than a shot. Unfortunately for Ulliac, the cross-shot would fly over her head and into the far side netting of the goal. In a match that had no meaning as far as the postseason is concerned, it would have been easy for the Mutiny to capitulate the game after Copa's go-ahead goal. But the burgeoning play of defender Jennifer Cafferky for New England this season showed itself, as the Central Connecticut State standout brought some offense to her stellar defending in the 63rd minute. After Stephanie Santos' corner kick was

not cleared by the NJCFC defense, Cafferky gathered the ball and hammered home her shot from close distance inside the upper 90 of the goal for the 2-2 score. The substitutions of local stars Sharlotte Pernice and Brianna Kenney into the match in the second half gave the Mutiny an injection of pace in their attack, and they pushed forward for the winning goal. But unfortunately as the match went into stoppage time, Meghan Cunningham would receive her second yellow card of the match. The ensuing red card meant New England would play with 10 players as they faced a free kick in their defensive third. Bruno's free kick from wide out on the right flank would sail towards the back post, and Bowen would beat the Mutiny defense to the ball. Her header went in inside the far post and the final whistle blew as she and her teammates celebrated the goal.

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# Out & About

OUR CALENDAR SECTION is intended to promote free events, or those that directly affect a volunteer-driven organization. Paid events that are not deemed benefits do not qualify. Non-charitable events that charge the public for profit are not allowed as we consider that paid advertising. The deadline to submit calendar items is Monday at noon. Send to the Agawam Advertiser News at aan@turley.com, fax to 413-786-8457, or mail to 23 Southwick St., Feeding Hills, MA 01030. We usually print at least one week prior to an event. The listings should be brief with only time, date, location, activity explanation and contact information.

### Friday, July 22

SUMMER CRAFT BEER TASTING AND BARBECUE to benefit the historic Captain Charles Leonard House from 6 to 9 p.m. at the 663 Main Street landmark. Tickets available for \$25 each at McCarthy Liquors, 430 Main St., Agawam, Johnny Mac Liquors, 1949 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, or by calling Phil Kimball at 413-374-5673. Tickets also available at the door. Must be at least 21 years old to attend.

SOUTHWICK ROTARY'S SOUTHWICK DAYS today through Sunday at the Southwick Recreation Center on Powder Mill Road. Free admission. Donations accepted. For more information, visit www.southwickdays.com.

YANKEE COLOR CLASSIC HORSE SHOW today through Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the Coliseum on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Free admission.

### Saturday, July 23

"LITTLE HOUSE" FAMILY DAY, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Storrowton Village Museum on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. \$10 per person. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

HAMPDEN COUNTY 4-H FAIR, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in at the Mallary Complex and outdoor horse ring on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Free admission.

NEW ENGLAND FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL, noon to 8 p.m. today; noon to 6 p.m., Sunday, in the outdoor area on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. \$5 at the gate; under 6, free.

### Sunday, July 24

FRIENDS OF JAIME S. RIVERA Benefit Car Show at the Southwick Recreation Center, 64 Powder Mill Road. Proceeds to benefit Shriners Hospital for Children. Rain date is July 31.

### Tuesday, July 26

"MUSICAL MOMENTS" free concert at 6:30 p.m. at Amelia Park Ice Arena, 21 S. Broad St. Westfield, will feature Old Country Road — vintage and bluegrass. For more information, call 413-568-2503 or visit www. ameliaparkice.org.

### Wednesday, July 27

KIDSFEST CHILDREN'S ENTERTÄINMENT PROGRAM at 11 a.m. on Veterans Green, 689 Main St., Agawam, in front of Phelps School features T-Bone. Free event.

In case of rain, the show will be moved indoors to the Phelps gymnasium.

### Thursday, July 28

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES featuring Richie Mitnick & Friends, sponsored by the West Springfield Parks & Rec Dept., 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the Storrowton Village Green on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Free admission

### Saturday, July 30

EIGHTH ANNUAL KIDS SAFETY EXPO at the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame from 9 a.m. to noon. Free activities include fire safety, k-9 demonstration, clowns, giveaways and resources for lost or missing children such as fingerprinting and dental impressions. For more information, visit KidsSafety-Expo.com.

### Tuesday, Aug. 2

"MUSICAL MOMENTS" free concert at 6:30 p.m. at Amelia Park Ice Arena, 21 S. Broad St. Westfield, will feature the Charlie Galvin Band — soft rock. For more information, call 413-568-2503 or visit www.ameliaparkice.org.

### Saturday, Aug. 6

BLUES BROTHERS BRIEFCASE, the only Blues Brothers tribute band, in a free concert from 5 to 7 p.m. on the Tolland Town Green. Bring lawn chair and blanket. In

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### Wednesday, Aug. 10

KIDSFEST CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM at 11 a.m. on Veterans Green, 689 Main St., Agawam, in front of Phelps School features Jedlie's Magic Circus. Free event. In case of rain, the show will be moved indoors to the Phelps gymnasium.

THE ELM-BELCHER MASONIC LODGE, 53 River St., Agawam offers an all-you-can-eat spaghetti supper at a cost of \$8 for adults, \$4 for children. The public is

### Tuesday, Aug. 16

FRIENDS OF GRANBY ELDERLY SUMMER CONCERT from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Dufresne Field in Granby, Conn. will feature King Kountry. Free will offering. Bring chairs, blankets and bug spray.

### Sunday, Sept. 25

SACRED AMERICAN MUSIC, 1816-2016, community concert at 2 p.m. at Copper Hill United Methodist Church, 27 Copper Hill Road, E. Granby, Conn.

### ONGOING

THE WESTFIELD FARMERS MARKET is open every Thursday, rain or shine, from noon to 6 p.m. on the lawn of the Episcopal Church of the Atonement, 36 Court St., until Oct. 6. Free parking available. ADA accessible. Locally grown flowers, plants, vegetables, fruit, honey and bee products, goats' meat and milk products, baked goods, wine, wood crafts, dairy and more. SNAP customers receive up to \$10 match in purchasing benefit weekly.

GRANDPARENT'S PLAYGROUP Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., at St. David's Church, 699 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. This free infant and toddler playgroup features music and movement, fostering children's interactions and sharing skills. Open to all grandparents and their grandchildren. Follows school schedule.

MOM 2 MOM takes place the second Tuesday of every month October through June, 9:30 to 11 a.m. at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main St. A round-

table discussion hosted by a local "veteran" mom, this is a great way to have further conversation on recent café themes and parent education events, celebrate parenting and receive encouragement for the trials.

THE AGAWAM ST. PATRICK COMMITTEE meets the third Wednesday of each month, September through June, at 6:30 p.m. in the lower level classroom at St. John the Evangelist Church, 833 Main St., Agawam. For information on how to join, call Vera Conway at 413-786-3247 or email Rosemary Sandlin at rosemary-sandlin@gmail.com

ADULT DROP-IN SIT AND KNIT meets every Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. No registration needed.

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 459 Mill St., Agawam, offers "Crochet Club" every other Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This club is open to all needle-workers, including crocheters, knitters, quilters, and embroiderers. For more information, call 413-786-7991.

A BREAST CANCER AND MASTECTOMY SUPPORT GROUP meets the fourth Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7:15 p.m. at 2 South Bridge Drive, Suite 1B, Agawam. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

AN ALL CANCER SUPPORT GROUP meets the first Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Center, 1061 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

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# Agawam Senior Center

### Lunch Menu

Monday, July 25: Swedish meatballs over egg noodles, California blend vegetables, fresh peaches. Tuesday, July 26: Baked ham, roasted sweet potatoes, pineapple sauce, peas, pudding.

Wednesday, July 27: Vegetable soup, chicken cutlet on a roll, lettuce and tomato, mixed fruit.
Thursday, July 28: Stuffed peppers, mashed potatoes, corn, baked good.

Friday, July 29: Linguini and red clam sauce, spring salad, diced pears.

### Calendar of Events

Monday, July 25: 8 a.m., weight training; 8:15 a.m., yoga; 9:30 a.m., line dancing, SNAP benefit meeting (Garden Room); 11:30 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 1 p.m., bingo; 5:30 p.m., Zumba Gold.

Tuesday, July 26: 9 a.m., knitting class, sum-

mer exercise class; 9:30 a.m., shuffleboard at St. John's Field, S.H.I.N.E.; 10 a.m., Computer Tech Club meets; 12:30 p.m., mah jongg, movie ("The Harvey Girls"), ladies only billiards; 1 p.m., Mexican Train Game; 3 p.m., COA meeting; 4:30 p.m., yoga; 6 p.m., beginner line dance.

Wednesday, July 27: 8 a.m., weight training; 8:15 a.m., yoga; 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 12:30 p.m., bridge; 1:30 p.m., Golden Age Chapter 1 meeting; 5:30 p.m., Zumba Gold.

**Thursday, July 28:** 9 a.m., summer exercise class; 9:30 a.m., quilting; 10 a.m., line dancing; 12:30 p.m., bridge; 1 p.m., pitch; 6 p.m., cancer support group meets; 6:30 p.m., evening pitch, evening line dancing.

Friday, July 29: 8 a.m., yoga; 9:15 a.m., all media art class; noon, canasta; 1 p.m., pitch, cribbage; 4 p.m., poker.

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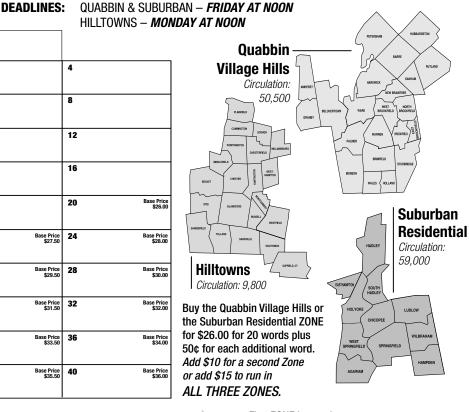
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### LEGAL NOTICES July 5, 2016

Notice is hereby given that the Agawam Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at the Agawam Public Library Community Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on Monday, August 8, 2016 at 7:30PM for all parties interested in the appeal of Antoni & Florence Baszak, who are appealing a decision

of the Building Inspector as allowed in Section 2, Paragraph C of the Town of Agawam's "Adopted Charter" and Ch.40A, Section 6 to determine if a lot is grandfathered as a building lot at the premises identified as Parcel G10-02-0006 Mill Street.

**Doreen Prouty** Chairperson Agawam Board of Appeals 7/21,7/28/16

### LEGAL NOTICES June 27, 2016

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Agawam Board of Appeals

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June 27, 2016

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that the Agawam Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at the Agawam Public Library Children's Room, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA on Monday, August 8, 2016 at 6:30PM for all parties interested in the appeal of Geraldine Schilling-Nordal, who is seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 180-7 Paragraph B-2 (b) of the Town of Agawam's Zoning Ordinances to allow for the construction of a residential structure with less than the required side yard at the premises identified as 203 Cooper Street.

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### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 4, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this

hearing will be to hear the petition of Thomas Murphy for a zone change request on 0 Suffield Street and 83 Mill Street from Residence A2, Business A and Agricultural to all Business A. Copies of the proposed zone change can be obtained from the Agawam Planning Office between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM in the Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA.

BY ORDER OF: Mark R. Paleologopoulos, Chairman

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street** Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD16P1208EA **Estate of:** Charles M. Fowler Date of Death: 01/09/2016 CITATION ON PETITION FOR

ADJUDICATION To all interested persons: A Petition for Formal **Appointment of Personal** 

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Probate and Family Court** 50 State Street Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD16C0136CA In the matter of: Maria Davidson Of: Agawam, MA NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

To all persons interested in petition described:

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WITNESS, Hon. Anne M Geoffrion, First Justice of this Court.

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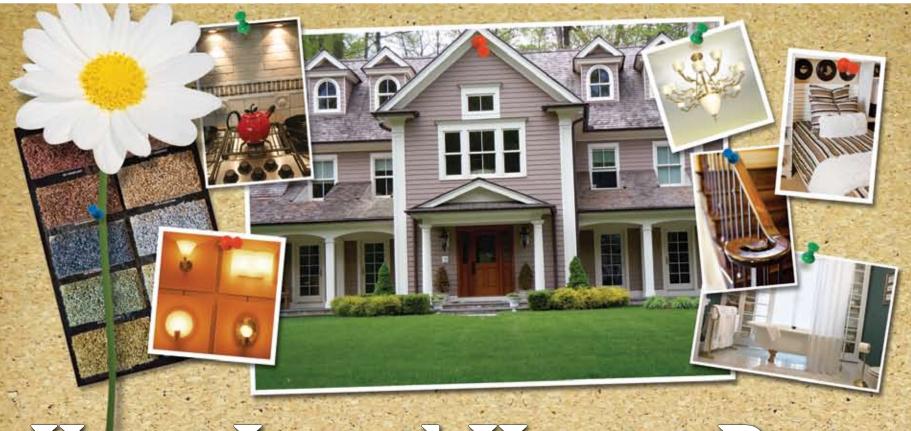
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